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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5)

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UnassignedINTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE  
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## TITLE OF INVENTION

LAUNDRY DETERGENT COMPACT WHICH DISINTEGRATES IN LIQUID

## APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1.  This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2.  This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3.  This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4.  A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5.  A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a.  is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b.  has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c.  is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
6.  A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).
7.  Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a.  are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b.  have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c.  have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d.  have not been made and will not be made.
8.  A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9.  An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10.  A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

## Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:

11.  An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12.  An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13.  A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.  
 A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
14.  A substitute specification.
15.  A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16.  Other items or information:

Amended sheets to specification, containing 2nd Replacement Sheets 1-16, including Verification of Translation;  
International Search Report

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017309/017217.  The following fees are submitted:

## Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5):

Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$840.00

International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)  
..... \$670.00No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)  
but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) ..... \$760.00Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor  
international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... \$970.00International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)  
and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4) ..... \$96.00

ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT = \$ 0.00

Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than  20  30  
months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) \$ 0.00

Claims	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	15 -20 =	0	X \$18.00	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	1 -3 =	0	X \$78.00	\$ 0.00
Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable)			+ \$260.00	\$ 0.00

TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$ 840.00

Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity statement  
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be  
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## NOTE:

Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive  
(37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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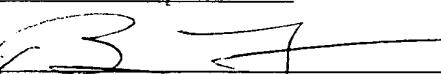
## TRANSLATION CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the translation of the attached documents, **Reference: Patent Application: Compact Which Disintegrates In Liquid**, was performed by a professional translator, who is a native speaker of the target language and is to the best of our knowledge and ability, a true and accurate translation of the original text delivered to Language Innovations, LLC by our client **Foley & Lardner**. The original documents were translated from **German** into **English** and at completion delivered to the client on **September 13, 1999**.

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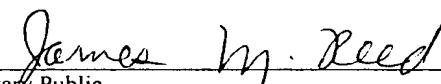
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Subscribed and sworn before me this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 99, at Washington, DC.

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VERIFICATION OF A TRANSLATION

I, the below named translator, hereby declare that:

My name and post office address are as stated below;

That I am knowledgeable in the German language in which the below identified international application was filed, and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the English translation of the international application No. PCT/DE98/00589 is a true and complete translation of the above identified international application as filed.

I hereby declare that all the statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the patent application issued thereon.

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